

**Andrew Ellicott to Thomas Jefferson, January 9, 1793,
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Ellicott to Jefferson

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Sir/

From a conversation which I had with you some time ago, I remember you was desirous of discovering the Indian name of the Eastern Branch of the Potomak: by some old surveys it appears to be *Annakostia*.

The reasons of my disagreement with the Commissioners, and ultimate determination to quit the business of the City of Washington, on the first day of May next, shall be published immediately after that date: And I have no doubt, but that from a clear investigation of facts, my conduct, and exertions, will be approved of by the candid and discerning.

I am with much esteem

Your Real Friend Andrew Ellicott

HONBLE THOMAS JEFFERSON ESQ.

[Ms., *Jefferson Papers*, Library of Congress.]